The 2004 Clark volleyball team, led by first-year interim coach Kate Weiss and assisted by Terry Malone, had the great privilege of taking a weekend trip to Philadelphia for the Haverford Tournament. The team got off to a strong start, winning three out of four matches in Pennsylvania and junior captain Kara Scimeca was named to the All-Tournament Team. The Cougars then returned home to New England to battle through the rest of their challenging schedule. Clark ended the season on a high note, beating WPI, Babson College, and Mount Holyoke College to qualify for the NEWMAC Tournament as the seventh seed. The Cougars lost in the quarterfinals to #2 seed, MIT, and finished the season 8-19. The team returned 11 players from the 2003 season and added only one new player, Sarah Hunsucker, a six-foot first-year middle blocker from Orinda, California. Hunsucker recorded 45 blocks in the middle this season. Opposite Hunsucker was Scimeca, who led the team in passing percentage, kills per game and blocks per game. Setter Tiffany Ong had 522 assists this season and was backed by Lacy Christensen with 186 assists. Senior outside hitter, Katie Tubbs was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Bridgewater State College Tournament. Tubbs led the team in serving percentage and aces. Sophomore Margo Labadorf was a force from the outside and led the team in hitting percentage. Junior right side hitter Adiba Hassan added 50 blocks and 105 kills. Senior captain Nichole Willy was a solid serve receiver and defensive player for the Cougars and classmate Francine Safdeye stabilized the back court as the libero. Junior Petra Kristie really came on this year as a defensive specialist on the left side and sophomores Pam Jones and Regat Gebreberhan also contributed on defense.

**ALUMNI GAME**
On October 2, 2004 both current and former Clark volleyball players gathered for the annual alumni game. Alumni players included Kim Tartarini ’90, Ellie Fitts ’02, Erin Dineen ’02, Kira Nyysola ’02, Sarah Haigh ’02, Kate Weiss ’03, Lisa Desrochers ’03, Laura Gagnon ’03 and Michelle Demeri ’04. The alumni played for two hours against the current players. It was great to have so many Clarkies return to participate in this event.

**DAREFSKY HOSTS TEAM**
Following a tri-match at Trinity College, alumna and Clark Hall of Fame volleyball coach Elyse Darefsky ’79 hosted the volleyball team and fellow alumna Merle Olson ’87 for a wonderful dinner. Elyse’s continued involvement with the University and support for the volleyball team has been incredible and we are greatly appreciative of her many contributions.